Army Acquisition Professional Development System (AAPDS) instructions

How to create and submit your 1556s

Log into CAPPMIS: https://rda.altess.army.mil/cappmis/index.cfm

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STEP 1: Have your courses listed properly in your IDP and approved by your Supervisor

- *Click IDP tab within CAPPMIS
- *Course listed in the College Courses Section of the IDP
- *Status listed as either Planned or Enrolled
- *ATAP listed as 'Planned Funding Source'
- *Approved by Supervisor

STEP 2: Create 1556

- *Click AAPDS tab within CAPPMIS
- *Click Student Module option
- *Click Planned/Enrolled tab option
- *Click the 1556 icon for the next class want to take (in the Create Forms column). If class isn't displayed, then see Step 1 and get the course listed properly in your IDP.
- *Fill out online 1556 form. It will automatically populate a lot of the necessary information, pulling info from your IDP as well as your ACRB. You only need to fill out the required fields though you can fill in the rest if you like. Some fields are pulled directly from your ACRB/IDP (ones that you cannot change). Other fields are not required, and you shouldn't worry about them. Other field (those highlighted red) are required. The system will enforce the ATAP funding limits based upon which degree program (or business hours) you are in.
- *Once you submit the 1556, you will get an email confirmation (also courteasy copied to your supervisor). When the 1556 is funded and uploaded back to AAPDS, you will receive another email notification.
- *REMINDER: the new online 1556 submission bypasses the supervisor and comes straight to the ATAP coordinator. NO Supervisor and/or Training Coordinator signature is required. The only two signatures on any future 1556 will be the ATAP Coordinator and the Resource Manager. Your Supervisor's name and phone number will be typed in the Supervisor block, however.
- *When student submits a1556, the status stays as 'Planned' until it is approved; however, the option to click '1556' disappears. The option for 1556 will appear in the 'Forms Completed' column when it is funded and uploaded to the system.

STEP 3: Retrieve funded 1556

- *Wait until USAASC funds it
- *You will receive email notification that it is loaded into AAPDS

- *Click AAPDS tab within CAPPMIS
- *Click Student Module option
- *Click Planned/Enrolled tab option
- *Click the 1556 icon for the course in the 'Forms Completed' Column.
- *A fully funded 1556 .pdf will open. You may save that, email it, fax it, etc. to your school budget POC. You are responsible for getting the funded 1556 to your school.

Important Points to Remember when Filling out the 1556:

- *Verify and/or fill in the required fields (red circles)
 - -Org Mailing Address
 - -Training Objectives
 - -School Address
 - -Course ID Number (i.e. ECON 101)
 - -Start Date of Course (these are actual dates, not estimations)
 - -End Date of Course (these are actual dates, not estimations)
 - -Direct Costs (tuition, books)
- *Verify the information that is pre-populated (from IDP/ACRB/AAPDSS). If that information is incorrect, you cannot change it on this form, you need to contact the ATAP Coordinator and iron out why what is incorrect.
 - -Name (from ACRB)
 - -SSN (from ACRB)
 - -Home Address (from ACRB)
 - -Phone numbers (from ACRB)
 - -Position Title (from ACRB/mDCPDS)
 - -Series (from ACRB/mDCPDS)
 - -Organization Name (from ACRB/mDCPDS)
 - -Course Title (from IDP)
 - -School Name (from IDP)
 - -Supervisor (from IDP)

*Other important points:

If after a 1556 is approved and returned to you, a date change or cost change occurs to your class, YOU M UST NOTIFY THE ATAP COORDINATOR IMMEDIATELY. THERE WILL BE NO MORE WHITING OUT COURSE DATES OR COSTS. THE CHANGES MUST BE MADE IN AAPDS.

SCREEN SNAPSHOTS

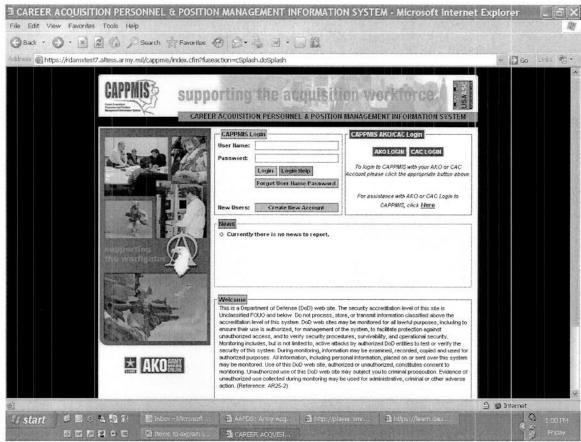
https://rda.altess.army.mil/cappmis/index.cfm (CAPPMIS webpage)

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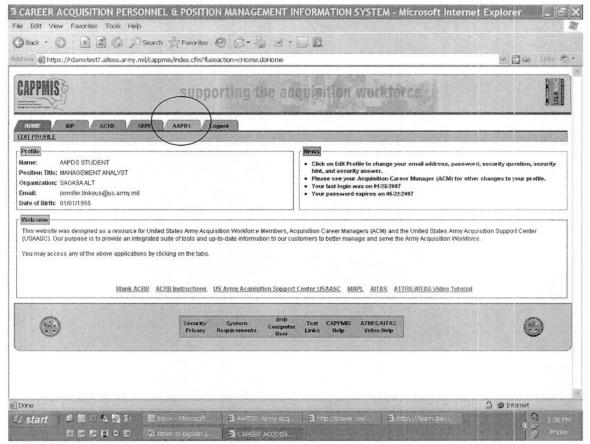
- *For the AAPDS to work, you must have your courses listed properly in your IDP:
 - 1. Be in the College Courses Section of the IDP
 - 2. Listed as Planned/Enrolled

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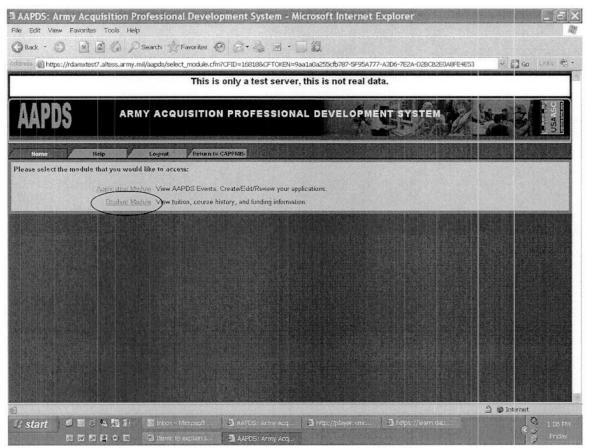
- 3. ATAP listed as the Planned Funding Source
- *Have your Supervisor approve this course and/or any changes you make to it (SEE EXAMPLE ABOVE)



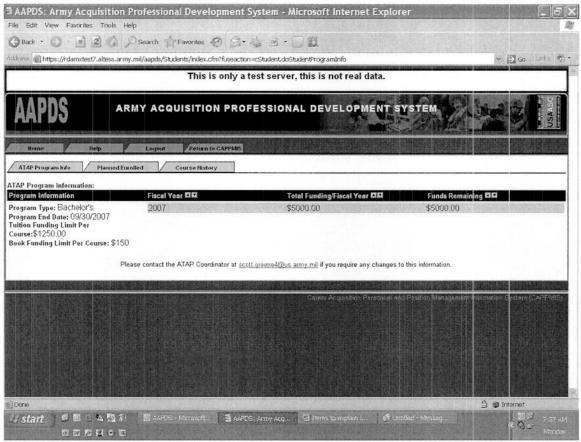
Log into CAPPMIS (now you can use CAC to log in)



Click on AAPDS (spell out)

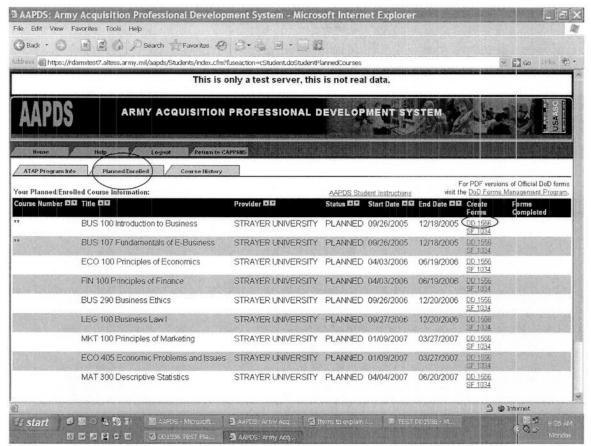


Click on Student Module to access your account

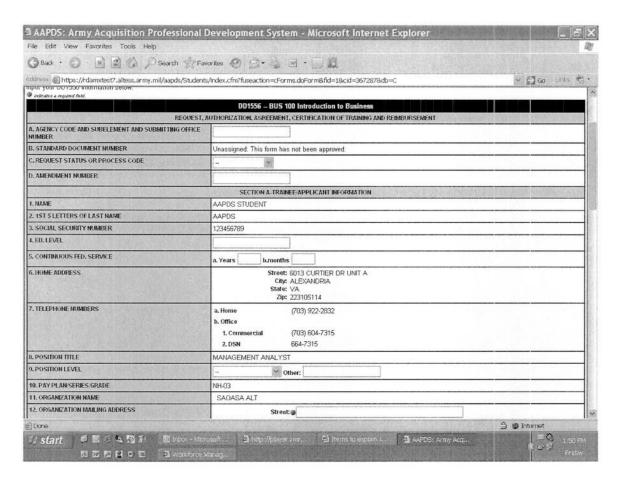


On this page you can view your ATAP Program information

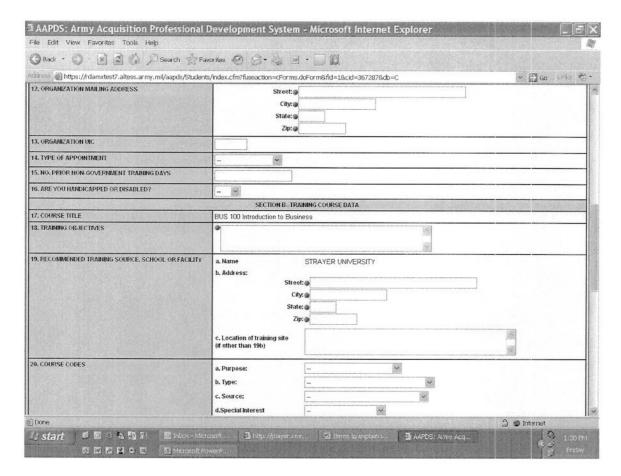
- -Program Type (AA, BA, MA, or Business Hours)
- -Program End Date (according to your ATAP application or ATAP Funding Update)
 - -Funding limit per course
 - -Book reimbursement limit per course
 - -Individual funding limit per year (based upon what you asked for)
 - -Funds remaining per FY



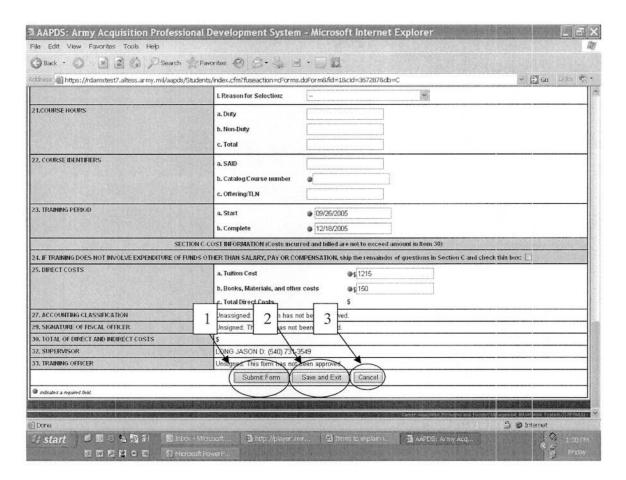
- -Click on Planned/Enrolled to view the ATAP courses you are currently in or plan to take -On this page, you can generate a 1556, 1034, and submit your 1556 for funding. 1034s (as detailed in the 1034 Submission Instructions) can be created here but you still need to submit them via email/fax to the ATAP coordinator along with a receipt. New 1034 online submission to be released in late Spring 2007
- -To create and submit a 1556 for a new course, click on the 'DD 1556' icon (circled above) for the course you are planning on taking. The next three screens will show you what it looks like to fill in the online 1556 form for a course. The example used is BUS 100 (as listed above)
- -Click on DD 1556 for BUS 100.



Here you have the top of the form. It pre-populates much of the form for you based upon information from civilian personnel (mDCPDS), your IDP, and your ACRB. You need to verify the information it pre-populates as well as you are FORCED to populate the fields with the red circles (i.e. Tuition amounts, dates, org mailing address, etc.). Some of the pre-populated fields you cannot edit through AAPDS (such as your home address, name, SSN, etc.). You will have to go into your ACRB to edit them or contact the <u>ATAP Coordinator</u>.

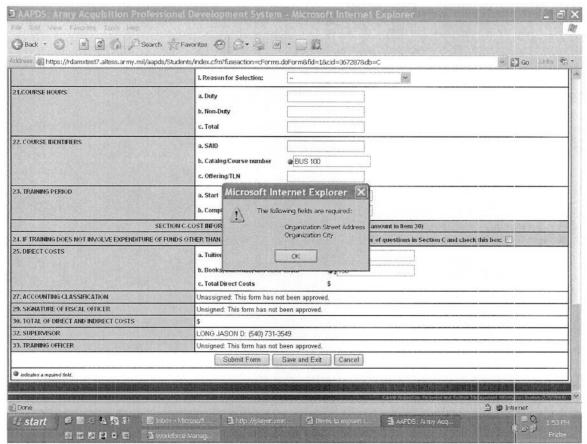


This is the middle section of the 1556 form. In this section, you are forced to enter your work address, training objectives, and your school's address.

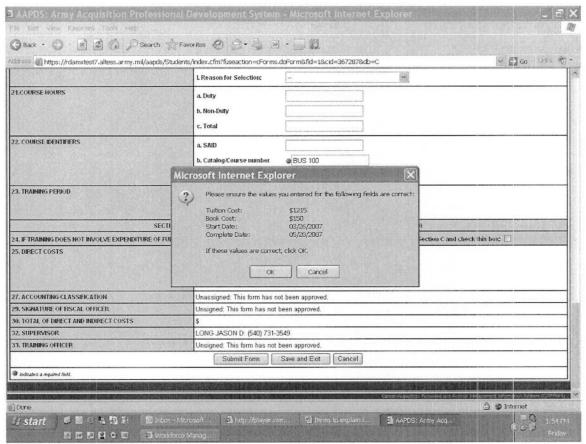


You may either submit the form once you have completed everything (1), you may save and come back later (2) or you may cancel what you have been working on and return to the previous screen (3).

As in the example above, it pulls the start/complete dates from the IDP as it does for the Tuition and Book costs. You need to ensure that you list the exact start/complete dates as well as the accurate Tuition and Book amounts. It will prompt you upon submitting if you have any errors and/or you have exceeded the funding limits for your program (see examples below). You must fix these errors, before you are allowed to submit.



(Example of error you are given if you do not populate certain mandatory fields: this error appeared because the Org Street Address and Org City were not filled out)



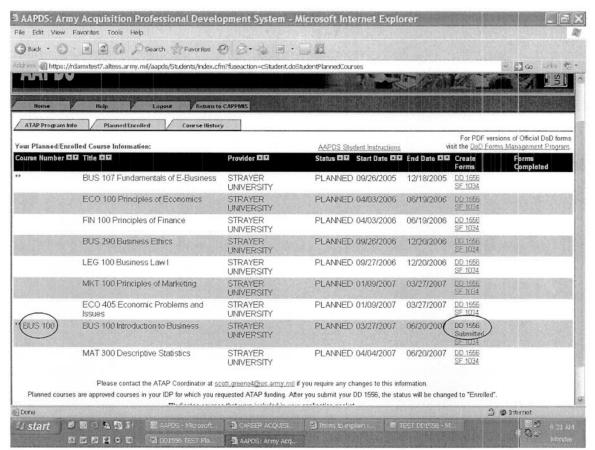
(Example: when you click submit form, it will prompt you to verify the costs and dates. If the displayed dates and costs are incorrect, click cancel and correct them on the form).

After you click OK, it will take you back to your Planned/Enrolled course page (next screen). Upon submitting the 1556, it will send you a confirmation email as well as courtesy copy your Supervisor. Your Supervisor and/or Training Officer no longer is required to sign the 1556 (updated <u>ATAP Policy and Procedures</u>). The email is courtesy copied to your Supervisor to keep him/her in the loop as to your educational pursuits funded by USAASC.

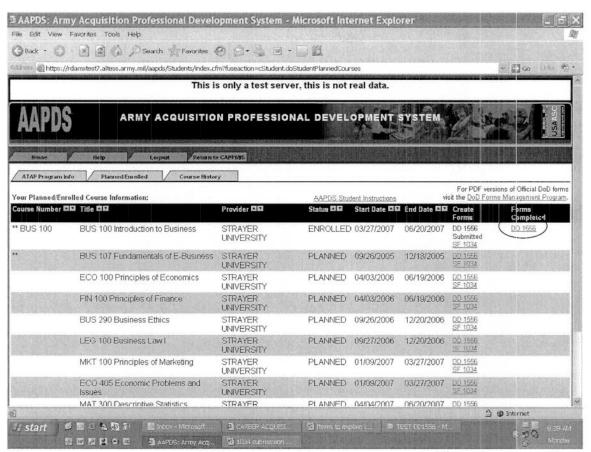
Example of 1556 submission email:

"Your DD 1556 for: BUS 100: Intro to Business has been submitted to the ATAP coordinator. The ATAP coordinator will review your submission and then forward to USAASC's budget office. Please expect up to a few weeks for the approval process to be completed.

Thank you ATAP Coordinator



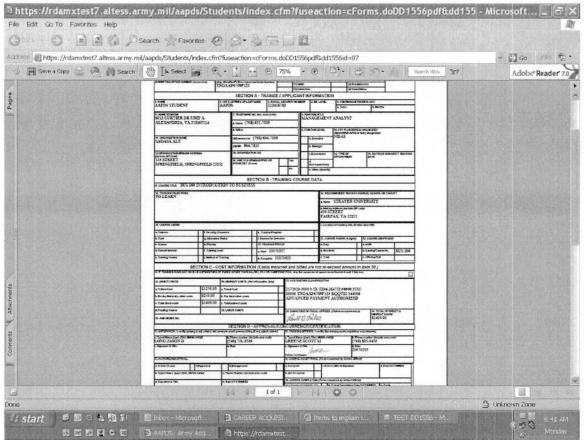
You will see that the BUS 100 course has been updated in a few areas: it now has the Course Number listed (BUS 100) as well as you no longer have the option of 'DD 1556' under Create Forms. It now lists the status as "DD 1556 Submitted."



^{*}As soon as we process your 1556 and upload it to the system, you'll receive an email and the 1556 will be available for you to retrireve from AAPDS.

^{*}A new icon of 'DD 1556' will be displayed in 'Forms Completed column

^{*}Click on DD 1556 and it will open your .pdf (next screen)



*this is a snapshot of the funded .pdf. You will see that it is very clean (no more quality loss in files through faxing!). You will also see that it has both USAASC's Resource Manger's signature as well as the ATAP Coordinator. This suffices for DFAS so it will have to suffice for your school. It is now a part of the ATAP policy as well.